

# Exhibit A

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Summons - Alias Summons

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### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Name all Parties

MARYANN WALKER

Plaintiff(s) v.

PILOT TRAVEL CENTERS, LLC

Defendants

Address of Defendant(s)

CASE NO:2022L004004

Please serve as follows (check one): ☐ Clerk

☒ Sheriff Service ☐ Alias

### SUMMONS

To each Defendant:

You have been named a defendant in the complaint in this case, a copy of which is hereto attached. You are summoned and required to file your appearance, in the office of the clerk of this court, within 30 days after service of this summons, not counting the day of service. If you fail to do so, a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the complaint.

### THERE WILL BE A FEE TO FILE YOUR APPEARANCE.

To file your written appearance/answer **YOU DO NOT NEED TO COME TO THE COURTHOUSE.** You will need: a computer with internet access; an email address; a completed Appearance form that can be found at <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/Forms/approved/procedures/appearance.asp>; and a credit card to pay any required fees.

Iris Y. Martinez, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois  
[cookcountyclerkofcourt.org](http://cookcountyclerkofcourt.org)

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E-filing is now mandatory with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider.

If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. If you cannot e-file, you may be able to get an exemption that allows you to file in-person or by mail. Ask your circuit clerk for more information or visit [www.illinoislegalaid.org](http://www.illinoislegalaid.org).

If you are unable to pay your court fees, you can apply for a fee waiver. For information about defending yourself in a court case (including filing an appearance or fee waiver), or to apply for free legal help, go to [www.illinoislegalaid.org](http://www.illinoislegalaid.org). You can also ask your local circuit clerk's office for a fee waiver application.

Please call or email the appropriate clerk's office location (on Page 3 of this summons) to get your court hearing date AND for information whether your hearing will be held by video conference or by telephone. The Clerk's office is open Mon - Fri, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, except for court holidays.

**NOTE: Your appearance date is NOT a court date. It is the date that you have to file your completed appearance by. You may file your appearance form by e-filing unless you are exempted.**

A court date will be set in the future and you will be notified by email (either to the email address that you used to register for e-filing, or that you provided to the clerk's office).

**CONTACT THE CLERK'S OFFICE** for information regarding **COURT DATES** by visiting our website: [cookcountyclerkofcourt.org](http://cookcountyclerkofcourt.org); download our mobile app from the AppStore or Google play, or contact the appropriate clerk's office location listed on Page 3.

To the officer: (Sheriff Service)

This summons must be returned by the officer or other person to whom it was given for service, with endorsement of service and fees, if any, immediately after service. If service cannot be made, this summons shall be returned so endorsed. This summons may not be served later than thirty (30) days after its date.

☒ Atty. No.: 32429  
☐ Pro Se 99500

Witness date 5/2/2022 5:13 PM IRIS Y. MARTINEZ

Name: Elman Joseph Law Group, LLC

Atty. for (if applicable):

Plaintiff

IRIS Y. MARTINEZ, Clerk of Court

Address: 212 W. Washington St., Suite 1208

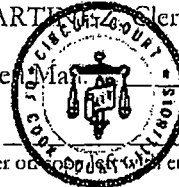
City: Chicago

State: IL Zip: 60606

Telephone: 312-739-2159

Primary Email: elmanlawgroup.court@gmail.com

☐ Service by Certified Mail  
☐ Date of Service: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**MARYANN WALKER**  
**Plaintiff,**

**vs.**

**No. 2022L004004**

**PILOT TRAVEL CENTERS, LLC**  
**Defendant**

**Amount Claimed: in excess of**  
**\$50,000 PLUS COSTS**

**COMPLAINT**

NOW COMES the Plaintiff, MARYANN WALKER, by her attorneys, ELMAN LAW GROUP, LLC, and in complaining of the Defendant, PILOT TRAVEL CENTERS, LLC, states as follows:

1. That on 5/29/2020, the Plaintiff was an invitee and customer of the defendant at the Pilot Travel Center gas station (#483) located 3801 N. Division St., in the City of Morris, County of Grundy, and State of Illinois.
2. That on the said date, the Defendant owned, managed, and operated a Pilot Travel Center gas station (#483) located at 3801 N. Division St., City of Morris, County of Grundy, and State of Illinois.
3. That at the time of the accident, the defendant's corporation was headquartered in Knoxville, TN, and had multiple locations throughout Illinois including Cook County, and its agent for service of process is in Chicago/Cook County, Illinois.
4. That at all times pertinent hereto, the defendant undertook to inspect and maintain said premises referred to in paragraph 1 and 2.
5. That at all times pertinent hereto, it was the duty of the Defendants in its inspection and maintenance of the gas pumps and gas hoses at its Pilot Travel Center in Morris, IL referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 to exercise ordinary care for the safety of the Plaintiff.

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6. That notwithstanding said duty, the defendant guilty of one or more of the following negligent acts or omissions:

- a. Failed to properly maintain the gas hose of the gas pump.
- b. Failed to warn the Plaintiff of the broken gas hose of the gas pump.
- c. Failed to properly inspect the gas hose of the gas pump.
- d. Failed to properly replace the gas hose of the gas pump.
- e. Failed to fix the broken gas hose the gas pump.
- f. Failed to properly insulate the gas hose at the gas pump.
- g. Failed to properly control the gas hose at the gas pump.

7. That as a direct and proximate result of one or more of the aforementioned negligent acts or omissions of all the Defendants, the Defendant's gas hose equipment broke while the plaintiff was using it at the gas station, resulting in her incurring injuries to various portions of her body; requiring her to expend money for medical care and treatment; resulting in her experiencing pain, suffering and mental anguish both now and in the future; resulting in her becoming both temporarily and permanently disabled and disfigured, and resulting in a loss of wages, and out of pocket expenses..

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, MARYANN WALKER, prays for judgment against the Defendant, PILOT TRAVEL CENTERS, LLC in a sum of money in excess of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) plus costs for Plaintiff.

ELMAN LAW GROUP, LLC

By: *ANTHONY R. ELMAN*  
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**AFFIDAVIT AND VERIFICATION PURSUANT TO S. CT. RULE 222 (B)**

I, ANTHONY R. ELMAN, an attorney for the Plaintiff, state on oath that I am familiar with the facts relating to the above captioned matter. That the allegations contained in the Complaint are true and the nature and extent of Plaintiff's injuries are such that the claim has a value in excess of \$50,000.00, pursuant to S. Ct. Rule 222 (B).

ANTHONY R. ELMAN  
ANTHONY R. ELMAN



12/15/2021

*Patrick Relford*  
*Sr. Adjuster – General Liability*

DTLA Law Group  
601 North Vermont Ave.  
Los Angeles, CA 90004  
Attn: Jackie Mendez

RE: Your Client -- Maryann Walker  
Date of Loss -- 05/29/2020  
Pilot Travel Centers, LLC Claim No. -- GC2020162330

Dear Ms. Mendez,

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of representation dated November 19, 2021 regarding the above captioned accident. Please note for your file that I will be the person handling the claim for Pilot Travel Centers, LLC. Please direct all future communication to my attention.

To properly evaluate your client's claim for damages, I will need copies of any invoices related to repairs, cleaning, etc., and any documentation of the damages.

I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick Relford". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Patrick" and last name "Relford" clearly distinguishable.

Patrick Relford  
Sr. Adjuster – General Liability  
(865) 474 – 3435  
Patrick.Relford@pilottravelcenters.com